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Milwaukie's Local Leaders

Filling a Neighborhod need

Peter Drake, a long-time resident of the Hector Campbell Neighborhood, says he saw a need and simply decided to fill it.

A neighbor of his, Sarah Smith, had completed a master plan for their Neighborhood Park near Home and Monroe Avenues, but residents needed a design plan, a more detailed construction document to make the park a reality. Hiring an engineer or an architect would cost thousands and the Neighborhood Association would have a hard time putting together that kind of money. "I saw there was a need and no

money to take care of it," Peter said, who was a self-employed architect at the time. "It was one way of giving back to my community. I know that sounds goofy, but that's really the truth."

Peter invested an estimated 40 hours in coming up with the park's master plan. In order to prepare the construction document he went to the county tax office to get lot informa-

the county tax office to get lot information, surveyed the site, inventoried the trees, devised a planting plan, and met with the playground consultant.

Peter says an architect or engineer would have likely charged \$75 to \$100

Peter Drake & the Final Design Plan he developed

an hour for this kind of work. Penciling that out, Peter donated about \$3,500 of his time for the park.

"All I feel I really have done is provide the paperwork to legally get a park," Peter says modestly.

But, of course, without that paperwork, you can't have a park.

Riverfront forums set

With the Milwaukie Riverfront surveys in the community and a lot of people talking about what they would like to see and do at the future Milwaukie Riverfront Park, the City will hold an Open House in City Hall on Oct. 19th from 6 to 8 p.m. to provide and gather information.

Staff and members of the Riverfront Board will be on hand to provide details about how this project has evolved over the years, the recent efforts that have brought it to the forefront, and how public input will shape its future.

A second Open House is scheduled for Nov. 9th, also from 6 to 8 p.m. at City Hall. The primary focus of this forum will be to provide survey results and to talk about how a final concept plan will be put together and how the City hopes to secure funding for the park's future.

For more information, and to view and take the survey on line, visit the City's website at www.cityofmilwaukie.org.

Council to review rates

City Council will review an increase to sewer rates on Nov. 15th at 7 p.m. in City Hall.

Staff is proposing the increase for three reasons. First, the rate needs to be adjusted in order to catch up with inflation.

Second, the system is depreciating, as all systems do over time, and setting aside money for unforeseen repairs is sound fiscal policy. Staff forecasts an approximate 4% increase to cover these costs.

Third, with City Council and the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners recently voting to implement the Clearwater regional wastewater plan, the City needs to raise additional funds to participate. An additional 2% increase is proposed to raise these required funds.

Participating in Clearwater has significant regional and local benefits. Not only is it the most cost-effective and environ-

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Market extends dates, adds one

The Milwaukie Farmers' Market is staying open through October and it's not just because a record number of people have visited the Market this season.

"We're staying open because we're having so much fun," Market organizer Brendan Eiswerth says.

Every Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. dozens of vendors pack the parking lot across from City Hall selling the region's

finest and freshest produce. Hundreds visit every week to shop and enjoy the sense of community and Brendan has decided to keep it going until Oct. 30th so people can pick up late season vegetables and pumpkins for Halloween.

New this year, Brendan will open the market on Sunday Nov. 20th to sell meats, jams, jellies, leaks, onions and crafts right

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Councilor calls for violence awareness

This month's Councilor Column is written by Susan Stone. To contact Susan call (503) 786-7512 or send an email to stones@ci.milwaukie.or.us.



We live in a world fraught with violence. All around us in our communities, whether it be in homes, in schools, places of work etc., we bear witness to the raw nature of humanity as violence surges forth in a variety of ways. We see it daily on television, be it in fictitious programming or hard-core news, in computer games and yes, sometimes, even on our

community streets.

There are many faces to violence and human suffering. It doesn't necessarily have to be physical. Emotional cruelty is just as damaging to the human spirit. Horizontal violence is described as overt and covert nonphysical hostility. It encompasses such things as criticism, sabotage, undermining, infighting, scapegoating and bickering between colleagues at work (Duffy, 1995). It is an unfortunate reality that not only exists but is widely apparent.

Many organizations have been established to assist victims of all types of violence. There is one organization that stands out as a beacon of light in a storm that brings awareness and insight to all who participate in it's pledge..." I will not use my hands or words to hurt myself or others."

It's called the Hands Project, founded in 1997 by Ann Kelly, a martial arts specialist. The message is simple as is the logo... a purple hand (purple being the color denoting survivors of violence) with a red heart in its palm. The week of October 16th - 22nd is the eighth annual national "Hands Are Not For Hurting Project Week.

As we declare a proclamation denoting the importance of bringing awareness to this cause, let us all take the pledge, trace our hands on purple paper and affix our signatures and date of commitments so as to be a part of the solution and help to bring an end to violence of all kinds.

Beginning with Ardenwald School, let us take the pledge into all our schools, our Neighborhood Associations, our places of work and our homes.

If we lived by the Golden Rule, "do unto others as you would have others do unto you", we would need no others. So raise your hands not in defiance and disregard of one another but raise them in the spirit of human kindness, dignity and respect.

We can make a difference ... we can change our world.

99E work progresses

Work on the west side of McLoughlin Boulevard continues and within the first couple weeks of October the new sidewalk will be built and the planter section between the new curb line and new sidewalk will be filled with imported topsoil to accommodate the new trees for the project.

Also in early October the plaza area at Monroe Street where the Desmet Historical Marker will be placed will be constructed. The area will be laid with pavers to create an appealing entranceway to Milwaukie's Riverfront.

Also in October night work will begin and will be conducted intermittently throughout the remainder of the project.

Those with questions or concerns can call (503) 786-7503.

Library throws annual Halloween bash

The Ledding Library will hold its annual Halloween bash on Saturday, Oct. 29th beginning at 2 p.m. Children of all ages are invited, and all are welcome to wear their Halloween costume. This year's event will feature the comical and magical

by Bob Eaton. Kids will also recieve Trick or Treat bags and a special Haloween craft is being planned for all who wish to participate. For more information call (503) 786-7569.



Safeway to be built

One of the most frequent questions at the Community Booth at the Milwaukie Farmers' Market is, "When will that Safeway on King Road be built?"

The answer is very soon. Permits were expected to be turned in to the City's Planning Department by the end of September and once approved construction will start immediately.

Safeway is aiming for a grand opening in late spring of 2006.

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before Thanksgiving. He says other markets have featured Holiday Markets, and with the success Milwaukie's Market has enjoyed, he thought he'd try the same.

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mentally friendly wastewater option for the future, Clackamas County will remove the Kellogg Treatment Plant from Milwaukie's Riverfront.

The proposed residential fixed rate would increase from \$15.00 to \$15.90 per unit per bimonthly billing period.

The residential volume rate would increase from \$2.10 to \$2.25 per CCF (hundred cubic feet, or approximately 748 gal-

lons). The volume rate is calculated annually using average winter water usage. (Summer water usage does not affect your wastewater rate.)

Based on the proposed rate, a residential customer using 14 CCF would pay \$47.10 bimonthly vs. \$44.40 at present.

If you have any questions, please call Engineering Director Paul Shirey at (503) 786-7601.



North Main Update

With the utility work on bordering streets completed site work on the North Main Village will begin in earnest in October. Interest in renting and leasing information for the residential and retail spaces has been extremely high and many are seeking contact information for details regarding the different units. Tom Kemper, the developer of the project, is hoping to have a website up and running as the project progresses to provide detailed information.

For sales information on the housing units, people should call Erin O'Neill at (503) 888-7023. For retail leasing information, people should call Dan Bozich at Urban Works Real Estate at (503) 228-3080.

For people interested in the apartments, Kemper is working with Princeton Property Management, but Princeton will not start gearing up to rent the apartments until 4-5 months before construction is complete.

The Kemper website address will be posted on the City's website and in future editions of The Pilot once the site is up and running.

Bridges to take shape

In early October crews working The Three Bridges Project will begin placing the girders and bringing in the bridge sections that will span Johnson Creek and the Union Pacific Railroad tracks.

By mid-month traffic lanes on McLoughlin will be altered to make way for the construction of the McLoughlin Bridge. Lane closures will not take place until

November, and even then work that will impact traffic the most will take place at night.

The Johnson Creek bridge will reach across a one hundred ninety foot canyon, while the McLoughlin bridge spans a whopping two hundred seventy five feet overall.

Once completed, the bridges will fill the final gaps of The Springwater Trail.



FREE concerts at library

Kicking off in October and running all the way through May, the Ledding Library will host FREE musical performances on the first Saturday of every month at 2 p.m.

Because of The Pilot's publication date, the Oct. 1st performance may have already come and gone, but on Nov. 5th the Vagabond Opera will visit the Library to play its special brand of multi-ethnic, operatic kind of music.

The group has a repertoire that ranges from Yiddish theater songs to Arabic classics to original tunes about Portland. Vagabond Opera is the only band in Portland that sings in both Yiddish and Arabic, a real testament to music's unifying power. Don't miss this unique concert!

METRO funds aid parks

In 2000, the City of Milwaukie acquired four small lots in the Hector Campbell Neighborhood. Using the expertise of Sarah Smith and Peter Drake, a couple neighbors who volunteered countless hours to support the project, a Master Plan and final design were created and approved by the Planning Commission.

In 2004, using Local Share funds, the City installed a path in the park, leading walkers from Home Avenue to Garrett Drive through a lovely grove of native plants.

In order to celebrate this and other local share acquisition and enhancement projects, the City will hold a ribbon cutting at Homewood Park on Oct. 29th at 10:30 a.m.

The City Code Corner

This month we use The Pilot to inform you of a new ordinance that has gone into effect.

In July of 2004 the City of Milwaukie adopted the North Clackamas Parks rules for all City-owned parks. What this means is that all City-owned parks have been posted with warnings and beginning Oct. 1st violations of any park rules, specifically the off-leash dog rules, shall be subject to a citation of up to \$500.

Part of the reason for this change is due to increased park use and complaints from other park users. What we are trying to accomplish with this is to make the parks safe and inviting for all users.

Both Code Enforcement and the Police Department will issue citations for these violations. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Les Hall at (503) 786-7564.

Museum offers thanks

In August The Pilot put the call out for Milwaukie High School yearbooks to help the Milwaukie Museum round out their collection. Residents came through in a big way, and Museum President Fran Whitehill wants to thank all who contributed.

But there are still some volumes that are among the missing. If you have the 1947, 1948, 1955, 1959, 1963, 1983, 1994, 2000

editions of The Maroon, please consider donating it to the Museum's collection. The Museum has every other year-book dating back to the school's opening way back in 1916.

You can take a look at the annuals and the many other treasures of Milwaukie Museum on the weekends from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.



AROUND TOWN

The Around Town section gives elected Neighborhood Leaders an opportunity to interpret issues facing their community as well as promote greater neighborhood involvement. As a result of this open forum the opinions presented may not always represent the attitudes of the City or of the author's entire Neighborhood. The Pilot and its participating Neighborhood Officers welcome your feedback. Please see page six for contact information.

LAKE ROAD

Written by Debby Patten, Chair NEXT MEETING'S INFO:

When: Oct. 12th, 6:30 p.m. Where: Clackamas ESD

Coming up this month, we have Pizza and Homemade Dessert with the Mayor of Milwaukie. Mayor Jim Bernard will attend our meeting to update us on the many projects currently going on in our City. We'll have plenty of free food and drink for all.

Also on the agenda for this month's meeting are scheduling a Century Park Cleanup and planning a Holiday Party in December. There will also be copies of the Riverfront Park Survey available to fill out. One of our members will be collect-

ing these at the end of the meeting and will turn them in.

Beth Ragel from the City of Milwaukie attended our September meeting. We also discussed upcoming ideas for grant funds. The Milwaukie Neighborhood Grant Program is "money the City of Milwaukie has set aside to help its citizens enhance their neighborhoods". In the past, our Neighborhood has used grant funds to repair the roof on the Milwaukie Museum, purchase trees, purchase a Neighborhood Identity Sign, and pay for our awesome Neighborhood Night Out picnics.

So come on down to ESD on the second Wednesday of the month, eat, drink, and get in-the-Milwaukie-know!

HECTOR CAMPBELL

Written by David Aschenbrenner, Chair NEXT MEETING'S INFO:

When: Oct. 10th, 7:00 p.m. Where: Public Safety Bldg.

Good News! The Sunday Farmers' market will be open until the last Sunday in October. You still have time to get the great local fruits and vegetables and visit the Community Booth.

The Community Booth is the place to see all that is happening in Milwaukie and to share your ideas for the future of our community.

It is also rumored that the Community Booth will be showing up at Neighborhood meetings and other events over the winter.

Now that the school year is under way, please watch out for our kids on their way to and from school.

The work parties for our parks are underway. To find the next work party day, drop me an e mail.

The Neighborhood meetings are also back on schedule every 2nd Monday night at the Public Safety Building Meeting Room at 7 p.m.

Please attend, learn more about your City and share in your Neighborhood.

ARDENWALD/J.C.

Written by Lisa Gunion-Rinker & Cheryl Ausmann-Moreno, Cochairs

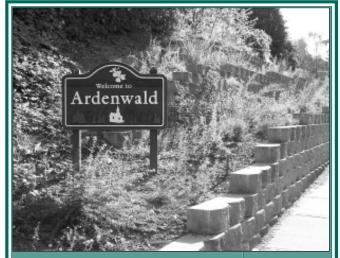
NEXT MEETING'S INFO: When: Oct. 11th, 6:30 p.m. Where: Ardenwald Elementary

Did anyone notice the recent Readers Digest cover article that rated Portland and surrounding counties as the #1 Cleanest City to live in the U.S.?

Milwaukie has a lot to be proud of so come get involved. This is your City...you can have a voice in Milwaukie's development as a GREAT place to live, work, and to raise your family!

Come join your neighbors for a few hours at a Planting/Weeding Work Party at the terraces on JCB where our newest sign is located...tentatively planned for the afternoon of October 9th or 18th. (More information concerning date/time will follow at next month's meeting or contact Lisa/Cheryl)

Everyone is welcome and should bring work gloves and digging tools they are comfortable using, a snack for afterwards, and some hardy full-sun plants if you have any you would like to include in the project.



A Planting/Work Party to plant these terraces on Johnson Creek Boulevard are tentatively planned for Oct. 9th and 18th. All are encouraged to participate!

Many of you have asked about the yellow fund-raising Wal-Mart signs that have been appearing in our Portland and Milwaukie Neighborhoods...Please contact Lisa at (503) 659-7807 for more information.

Our Next Meeting Agenda will include Neighborhood Traffic; Planting/ Weeding Work Party in October; Providence Update; Three Bridges/ Springwater/Lents Sewer Project this Spring (we will need a LOT of volunteers/ team leaders to move native plants out of the construction zone in Tideman-Johnson Park this Jan/Feb/Mar!) and Transit support letters. See you there!

Please contact Lisa Gunion-Rinker at 503-659-7807 or Cheryl Ausmann-Moreno at 503-653-7800 with any questions or visit www.ardenwald.org.

AROUND TOWN

HISTORIC MILWAUKIE

Written by Ed Zumwalt, Chair NEXT MEETING'S INFO: When: Oct. 10th, 6:30 p.m. Where: Milwaukie City Hall

It seems to never end. Again the County Commissioners have put their foot on the throat of Milwaukie and are choking the life out of us.

After years of nurturing, years of tough love, sweat and tears, we are losing the sewage treatment plant. They are

taking away our one chance for a niche, an opportunity to create a plumbing museum that would be the envy of the entire nation: "Outhouses Through the Ages," a project that has been our dream for a decade.

Unless we can stop the process the sewage plant will be off-line in 2010 and completely gone by 2012, our sewage, nay, our heritage, being piped to Oregon City. What will rise out of the rubble of this priceless treasure? A small hotel? A marina or floating restaurant? Condos?

How mundane! One of the most beautiful stretches of river in the region reduced to the unimaginable planning processes of developers. Consider the plight of our friends and neighbors at Island Station. They will be losing the significant presence, the architectural magnificence, the ambience of this unique and remarkable structure.

We must not let this go any further. Please, all of you, contact the County Commissioners and your City Council and urge them to stop this monstrous act.

ISLAND STATION

Written by Lisa Batey, Chair NEXT MEETING'S INFO:

When: Oct. 20th, 6:30 p.m. • Where: Milwaukie Grange

Our September meeting was focused on efforts to reduce speeding and unsafe driving in the neighborhood.

There was some good news from the City on minor improvements (signage, reflectors) on River Road and 22nd Avenue. The Neighborhood Association has also submitted a grant application to fund the purchase of a portable speed monitoring sign, and we should know later this month as to whether we'll get that grant.

You should also be seeing a banner and some lawn signs asking folks to slow down as there are kids at play. But there's a lot more to be done, and we need your input! We're forming an informal working group to identify and prioritize other measures, such as building crosswalks and islands designed to slow traffic down as well as to reduce confusion. And we're hoping to plan a bike safety event with Oak Grove Elementary this fall, too. If you're interested in helping brainstorm and prioritize ideas, contact our secretary, Alicia Hamilton, at (503) 353-0636 to discuss how you can join in.

Our October meeting will feature a visit from the City's Director of Community Development and Public Works, Kenny Asher, to discuss the proposed sewer rate increase (partially attributable to Clearwater). Join us to meet Kenny and learn more about Clearwater and other projects around town.

And as always, to get on the neighborhood e-mail list, send your contact info to lisabatey@msn.com.

LEWELLING

Written by Jeff Klein, Chair NEXT MEETING'S INFO:

When: Oct. 6th, 7:00 p.m. • Where: Lewelling Elementary

The year is closing fast and I am hoping that we can continue the Lewelling Festival of Lights that we had last year.

This year we will scour our Neighborhood to find houses that are lit up and place them on the map we make to tour the homes. If you want to make sure your house is entered into the contest, or even a neighbor's house, e-mail me or drop me a line. We gave a lot of prizes last year to some pretty creative neighbors. We will start looking the week after Thanksgiving.

At our next meeting we will discuss some issues relating to the school and have Beth Ragel, the new Program Coordinator for the City, will be there to introduce herself.

Many people at the last meeting brought up the issue of speeding in Our Neighborhood. Along Stanley and Logus Road the speed limit is 25 m.p.h. outside the school zone. The perception is the speed limit is seldom followed especially on Stanley. One of our residents stated that the county gives away yard signs to anyone, two per family. We have contacted them and they have agreed to give us a larger sum. If you would like one or want more information on controlling speed on your street I'll have information available in the Oct meeting.

At our November meeting Brenda Schleining from the City's Engineering Department will attend to discuss the street improvement on 42nd Avenue. This will have implications on access to Johnson Creek Boulevard as well as King Road.

Until then I'll see you at the next meeting.

LINWOOD

Written by Dolly Macken Hambright, Chair NEXT MEETING'S INFO:

When: Oct. 13th, 7:00 p.m. Where: Linwood Elementary

Our last Linwood meeting was sparsely attended, however, those that came received an update on many of the building projects either in progress around town, or those that will be moving forward in the not too distant future.

The Citizen's Police Academy sponsored by Milwaukie and West Linn PD's is in full swing and according to the class evaluations, it is receiving good reviews. Your Linwood Cochairs, Wanda Drendel and myself, are both students.

The weekly class runs through the first part of December, so we should be re-

ally "smart" when we graduate this Academy! Our Police Dept. goal is to hold a Citizen's Academy annually, and so far it is well worth the effort.

We encourage all the folks in Linwood to attend the monthly meetings at Linwood Elementary School. After all, it IS YOUR community! Next meeting will be Oct. 13th, 7 p.m. at Linwood Elementary Library ... see you then!



City Events Calendar

October 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MCH - Milwaukie City Hall, 10722 SE Main Street PSB - Public Safety Building, 3200 SE Harrison Street JCB - Public Works Building, 6101 SE Johnson Creek Blvd. MC - Milwaukie Center, 5440	CITY OF					First Saturday Music Performance at Ledding Library 2 p.m., See page 3 for details
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Milwaukie Farmers' Market! 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Across from City Hall		5:30pm City Council Work Session, (MCH) 7:00pm City Council Regular Session, (MCH)	6:00pm Citizens Utility Advisory Board, (JCB)	7:00pm Lewelling NDA, (Lewelling Elementary)	10:00am Milwaukie Center/Community Advisory Board (MC)	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Milwaukie Farmers'	6:30pm Historic Milwaukie NDA, (MCH)	6:30pm Planning Commission (MCH)	6:30pm Lake Road NDA, (Clackamas ESD)	6:00pm Riverfront Board (MCH)		
Market! 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Across from City Hall	7:00pm Hector Campbell NDA, (PSB)	6:30pm Ardenwald/ Johnson Creek NDA, (Ardenwald Elementary)		7:00pm Linwood NDA, (Linwood Elementary)		
9	10	6:00pm Riverfront Board (MCH) 11	12	13	14	15
Milwaukie Farmers' Market! 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Across from City Hall		5:30pm City Council Work Session, (MCH) 7:00pm City Council Regular Session, (MCH)	Milwaukie Riverfront Park Open House 6 to 8 p.m. Milwaukie City Hall	6:30pm Island Station NDA, (Milwaukie Grange)		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Milwaukie Farmers' Market! 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Across from City Hall	24 6:30pm Ledding Library Board (LED)	6:30pm Planning Commission (MCH) 7:00pm Parks and		6:00pm Public Safety Advisory Committee(PSB)		
(page 2 for details) 30	31	Recreation Board (MCH) 25	26	27	28	29

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

ARDENWALD AND JOHNSON CREEK

Meetings held on second Tuesdays 6:30 p.m., Ardenwald Elementary CoChairs: Lisa Gunion Rinker, (503) 659-7807 Cheryl Ausmann-Moreno, (503) 653-7800

HECTOR CAMPBELL

Meetings held on second Mondays 7:00 p.m., Public Safety Building Chair, David Aschenbrenner, (503) 654-4258 email: dlasch@comcast.net

HISTORIC MILWAUKIE

Meetings held on second Mondays 6:30 p.m., Milwaukie City Hall Chair, Ed Zumwalt, (503) 654-2493

email: PEMCZUM@aol.com

ISLAND STATION

Meetings held on third Thursdays 6:30 p.m., Milwaukie Grange Chair, Lisa Batey, (503) 353-1825 email: lisabatey@msn.com

LAKE ROAD

Meetings held on second Wednesdays 6:30 p.m., Clackamas ESD

Chair, Debby Patten, (503) 653-7908

LEWELLING

Meetings held on first Thursdays 7:00 p.m., Lewelling Elementary Chair, Jeff Klein, (503) 653-8639 email: jeff@jkws.com

LINWOOD

Meetings held on second Thursdays 7:00 p.m., Linwood Elementary

Chair, Dolly Macken Hambright, (503) 659-8908

Meeting Broadcast Information Channel 30: NEW!

City Council Work Sessions:

Mon., Wed., Fri.: 1 a.m., 5 a.m., 1 p.m., 8 p.m. Tues., Thurs.: 5 a.m., 9 a.m., 4 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 11 p.m.

Sat., Sun.: 6 a.m., 1 p.m., 9 p.m.

City Council Regular Sessions:

Mon., Wed., Fri.: 9 a.m., 4 p.m., 2:30 p.m.,

Tues., Thurs.: 1 a.m., 1 p.m.., 7 p.m. Sat., Sun.: 2 a.m., 10 a.m., 5 p.m.

The City of Milwaukie looks forward to any questions or suggestions you might have. Please drop us a line or give us a call.



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